



RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
EXAMINING GROUP 1636

PATENT
Attorney Docket No. 208859

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Roelvink et al.

Application No. 09/780,224

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For: ADENOVIRAL CAPSID
CONTAINING CHIMERIC PROTEIN
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents
Box AF
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the final Office Action dated August 17, 2002, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

AMENDMENTS

In the Claims:

Please replace the indicated claims with:

1. (Twice Amended) A chimeric pIX protein having at least one adenoviral pIX domain and a non-native amino acid sequence encoding a ligand that binds to a substrate present on the surface of a cell, wherein the non-native amino acid sequence constitutes the C-terminus of the chimeric protein.

9. (Amended) A chimeric pIX protein having at least one adenoviral pIX domain and a non-native amino acid sequence encoding a ligand that binds to a substrate present on the surface of a cell, wherein the non-native amino acid sequence constitutes the N-terminus of the chimeric protein.

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